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## BALTIMORE DEFENDANT CONVICTED OF ADVERTISING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

**Baltimore, Maryland -** United States Attorney Thomas M. DiBiagio announced today that a jury convicted Darryl M. Evans, age 41, of Baltimore, Maryland, of all charges in a thirteen count indictment relating to the advertising, distribution and possession of child pornography.

This is the first trial in the District of Maryland where the defendant has been charged with advertising child pornography, and is believed to be the second such trial in the United States. As required by the United States Supreme Court's <u>Ashcroft</u> decision, the government introduced evidence at trial that the children depicted in the images contained on Evans' computer were actual children. Investigators from England, Kansas City and Orlando testified about these images which depicted abuse against children who were victims in their cases.

Sentencing is set for May 6, 2003 before United States District Judge Marvin J. Garbis.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and prosecuted by Assistant
United States Attorneys Bonnie S. Greenberg and Ari S. Casper.